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SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF DEATH OF FLOYD STANLEY DAVIS

CASUALTY MESSAGE

TO: MRS. CECILIA H. DAVIS
309 NORTH NEW ST.
DOVER, DELAWARE 19901

1. IT IS WITH PROFOUND REGRET THAT WE MUST INFORM YOU OF THE DEATH OF YOUR SON, FLOYD STANLEY DAVIS. SPANISH AUTHORITIES INFORMED THE AMERICAN EMBASSY ON APRIL 22 OF HIS DEATH ON THAT DATE IN THE TOWN OF TORREJON DE ARDOZ. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION GIVES CAUSE OF DEATH AS CEREBRAL HEMORRHAGE.

2. THE APPROPRIATE SPANISH AUTHORITIES HAVE TAKEN CHARGE OF HIS EFFECTS AND HAVE NOTIFIED HIS FRIENDS AT HIS PLACE OF RESIDENCE. THE U.S. EMBASSY WILL WRITE TO YOU CONCERNING THE DISPOSITION OF HIS BELONGINGS.

3. REGRETFULLY, WE MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE URGENT NEED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN UNCLASSIFIED

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48 HOURS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER YOU WISH YOUR SON'S REMAINS TO BE RETURNED TO THE U.S. OR BURIED IN SPAIN.

4. PREPARATION FOR AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO U.S. WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$3300. IF LOCAL BURIAL IS DESIRED, THE COST IS APPROXIMATELY \$600.

5. CREMATION AVAILABLE IN MADRID BUT REQUIRES STATEMENT SIGNED BY DECEASED IN LIFE INDICATING HIS WISH, OR STATEMENT CLOSEST NEXT OF KIN INDICATING DECEASED STATED IN LIFE WISH TO BE CREMATED. AFFIDAVIT PREPARED BY NEXT OF KIN, WITH TRANSLATION IN SPANISH, SHOULD BE LEGALIZED BY NOTARY PUBLIC IN U.S. AND CERTIFIED BY NEAREST SPANISH CONSULAR OFFICE. ESSENTIAL ABOVE DESCRIBED AFFIDAVIT BE IMMEDIATELY MAILED TO CONSULAR SECTION, AMERICAN EMBASSY, MADRID, SPAIN. CREMATION AND SHIPMENT ASHES TO U.S. WOULD COST \$600. THE COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL BURIAL IS \$500. ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

6. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN EMBASSY, MADRID, SPAIN AND INCLUDE THE NAME OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS OF U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED. ALSO INDICATE YOUR SON'S RELIGIOUS FAITH.

(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH AMERICAN EXPRESS, PLAZA DE LAS CORTES 2, MADRID, SPAIN PAYABLE TO "AMERICAN EMBASSY, MADRID, SPAIN".

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(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S., YOU MAY WISH TO HAVE THE U.S. FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

7. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY 4 DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THE EMBASSY WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU.

8. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE CONSULAR SECTION OF THIS POST BY PHONING 276-36-00 IN MADRID.

9. BE ASSURED OF OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.
AMERICAN EMBASSY, MADRID, SPAIN. STABLER

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